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Introductory Sermon to be Preached by
REV. E. O. HEARNE
of
Chatham, Louisiana

OUR SAINTED DEAD

"These All Died in the Faith."

"Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth. Yea, saith the spirit, they may rest from their labors; and their works do follow them."

David Allen Boddie

Gans Houston Smith

James Benjamin Landers

Calvin Sidney Morrison

Josiah T. Humphreys

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Ministerial Roll

Note—Figures on the left indicate year of admission into the Conference.

Year	Name	Address
1881	Platt, W. M.	Monroe, La.
1886	Austin, A. G.	Shreveport, La.
1897	Smart, P. A.	Chatham, La.
1897	Fowler, W. P.	Oak Grove, La.
1897	Hearne, E. O.	Chatham, La.
1897	Brown, G. J. L.	Ball, La.
1897	Hearne, J. C.	Grayson, La.
1897	Hearne, J. F.	Chatham, La.
1898	Patton, I. A.	Jonesboro, La.
1901	Bartlett, Mary E.	Atlanta, Texas.
1902	Owen, J. M.	Emerson, Ark.
1903	Shows, F. Lyman	Monroe, La.
1903	Reid, J. F.	Winnfield, La.
1903	Terry, J. W.	Downsville, La.
1903	Dunn, W. S.	Glenella, La.
1904	Perdue, Mary E.	Atlanta, Texas.
1905	Mouser, Enoch M.	Grayson, La.
1906	Lewis, J. H.	Winnfield, La.
1907	Holt, J. A.	Atlanta, Texas.
1909	Ezell, A. T.	Jena, La.
1909	Little, J. C.	Atlanta, Texas.
1910	Lee, J. W.	Grayson, La.
1910	Downs, J. R.	West Monroe, La.
1911	Dennard, E. A.	Gibbsland, La.
1912	Griffin, B. F.	Queen City, Texas.
1912	Wardlow, Lula	Montgomery, La.
1912	Corley, E. W.	Bentley, La.
1912	Brady, Sarah E.	Monroe, La.
1913	Riley, J. A.	Trout, La.
1914	Deville, B.	Montgomery, La.
1915	Futrell, F. C.	
1916	Harris, W. W.	Fauke, Ark.
1917	Strozier, James B.	Pioneer, La.
1917	Cherry, H. A.	Oil City, La.
1919	Parsons, J. T.	Ball, La.
1921	Yeager, Ira L.	Monroe, La.
1921	Stennett, J. B.	Delhi, La.
1923	Williams, Stephen B.	Monroe, La.

Third Year:

1917	Strozier, John M.	Jena, La.
1915	Cantley, H. H.	Plain Dealing, La.
1920	Ragsdale, W. F.	Simsboro, La.
1924	Walker, Richard M.	Goldonna, La.

Second Year

1921	McVey, G. A.	Jena, La.
1922	Moore, M. D.	Queen City, Texas.
1923	Taylor, Bessie	Olla, La.

First Year

1923	Riley, Ocie	Packton, La.
1924	Kendrick, J. A.	Jena, La.

Foreign Missionary

1907	Theopholis, Mrs. Florence	India
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Honorary Member

Paul, Mrs. L. M.	Jena, La.
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Lay Representatives

Monroe Station.....	E. K. Reeves
Jonesboro Circuit.....	Eddie Walsworth
Grayson Circuit.....	T. J. Dunn
Pleasant Hill Circuit.....	John Lewis
Pollock Circuit.....	H. L. Garlington
Hicks.....	J. C. Cardozier
Heflin	
Evergreen Circuit.....	C. H. Rushing
Antioch Circuit.....	J. F. Lolley
Fish Creek Circuit.....	John Urserly
McVey Circuit.....	James Hudson
Mt. Nebo Circuit.....	W. F. Jones
Arcadia Circuit.....	Brice White
Winnfield	
Belah Circuit.....	John Tarver
Strickland Circuit.....	J. J. Malone
Sardis Circuit.....	
Ansley.....	L. J. Overstreet
Urania.....	James Goss
Damascus.....	H. R. Varnell

Queen City Circuit	Roy Morgan
Zenoria	Homer McCollum
Luna Circuit	S. L. Head
Rice Circuit	F. J. Crowell
West Carroll Circuit	A. R. Campbell
Oil City	Frank Fruge
Roberts	
Boyter Lane	T. L. Boyter
Jena	Mrs. D. Sapiro
Couley	A. Lawson
Welcome Home	Mrs. R. P. Warren

Appointive Committees

Pastors' Report

J. A. Holt
John Tarver
T. J. Dunn

Rules of Order

E. W. Corley
Charlie Hearne
W. W. Harris

Thanks

Ocie Riley
W. W. Harris
T. L. Boyter

Periodicals

Stephen B. Williams
T. O. Nugent
J. F. Reid

Education

J. W. Lee
E. K. Reeves
A. R. Campbell

Finance

Lula Wardlow
J. R. Strozier
J. W. McKeithen

Missions

E. M. Mouser
Faunt Jones
A. T. Ezell

Itinerancy & Orders Official Character

S. B. Williams, 1 yr. G. J. L. Brown
Lula Wardlow, 2 yr. J. F. Lolley
J. W. Lee, 3 yr. E. O. Hearne

Boards

Trustees Belah Camp Ground

G. J. L. Brown
John Strozier
Willis Methvin
John Tarver
Stephen B. Williams
J. A. Riley
Joe Taylor
Mary E. Perdue

Directors Home of Young People's the Good Samaritan Work

F. Lyman Shows
G. B. Haynes
E. K. Reeves
E. M. Mouser
J. W. McKeithen
Stephen B. Williams
E. O. Hearne
Lula Wardlow
E. W. Corley
Bessie Taylor
J. R. Strozier
F. Lyman Shows
W. W. Harris

DAILY PROCEEDINGS

First Day

The Louisiana Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church convened at Grayson, La., October 31, 1924.

The Conference was called to order by the President, Rev. F. Lyman Shows, who read the One Hundred Eleventh Psalm, and after engaging in earnest prayer, declared the Seventy-Eighth Annual Conference opened for business.

The Roll was called by the Secretary, after which Mr. J. W. McKeithen delivered the Address of Welcome, extending cordial Greetings to all.

Upon motion the Conference Bar was fixed to extend to the rear of the fourth window.

Brothers Lee, Mouser and Hearne were granted permission to retire from the Conference room at any time.

The President submitted his annual report, which was read and adopted, after which the committee on Pastors Reports was named.

Upon motion Rev. B. F. Griffin was elected Statistical Secretary with the privilege of calling an assistant.

It was moved and carried that 1:30 p. m. be the time fixed for Dr. E. A. Sexsmith to address the Conference.

Motion prevailed to adjourn for the opening sermon which was fittingly delivered by Rev. Stephen B. Williams, of the Monroe Church.

Benediction by Rev. W. M. Platt.

Afternoon Session

Conference called to order by the President. Devotionals by Rev. G. J. L. Brown.

The Roll was called and corrected, after which the Secretary announced the appointive committees.

The hour having arrived, Dr. E. A. Sexsmith, Secretary of the Young People's Work, addressed the Conference in the interest of the General Boards.

Upon motion the suggested Constitution for Annual Conference Boards of Young People's Work submitted to the Conference by Dr. Sexsmith, was adopted.

Dr. T. H. Lewis, President of The General Conference, addressed the Conference in the General Interest of The

Denomination, also submitting the several Overtures, which were handed down by the General Conference and upon motion the Overtures were adopted.

It was moved and carried that the Conference President be authorized to attend the President's Council, and the Conference Treasurer be instructed to pay one-half of his expenses out of the Conference Fund.

Upon motion the Conference Secretary was instructed to mail out with the Conference Minutes six hundred copies of "Make It Plain," a sermon preached at the General Conference by Dr. T. H. Lewis.

The hour of the day having arrived, the Conference entered into the election of Officers. The Chair appointed P. A. Smart, L. J. Overstreet, I. L. Yeager as tellers of the election, Dr. T. H. Lewis, President of the General Conference, presiding.

Rev. E. M. Mouser having received a majority of all votes cast, was declared elected President.

Mrs. Mary E. Perdue having received a majority of all votes cast, was declared elected Secretary.

W. W. McDonald receiving a majority of all votes cast, was declared elected Conference Treasurer.

The Standing District Committee was elected, as was also the Board of Church Extension.

Upon request of Rev. E. M. Mouser, President elect, Dr. E. A. Sexsmith filled the chair during the afternoon session.

Committee on Itinerancy and Orders submitted a partial report, which was adopted.

Upon motion the hour of Ordination was fixed for Saturday night immediately after the evening sermon.

The reports of H. H. Cantley and J. F. Reid, Conference Missionaries, were read and adopted.

H. A. Cherry submitted his report, which was read and adopted.

Upon motion any further communication was referred to Committee on Pastors Reports.

It was moved and carried that all the Laymen together with the President, constitute the Stationing and Boundary Committee.

Moved and carried to adjourn until 9:00 a. m. Saturday.

Friday evening the pulpit was filled by Dr. E. A. Sex-

smith, Secretary of the Board of Young People's Work. This great sermon was an inspiration to all present.

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Second Day

Conference called to order by the President. Devotionals by Rev. I. A. Patton.

Roll called and corrected. Minutes of previous day's session read and approved.

Upon motion, the Program for the Annual Conference Budget Council, submitted to the Conference by Dr. T. H. Lewis, was adopted.

At this time Dr. E. A. Sexsmith again addressed the Conference in the interest of the Young People's Work, and various other phases of the Denominational Work.

Upon motion the resolutions of the Budget Council appointed by the recent General Conference, submitted to the Conference by Dr. T. H. Lewis, was adopted.

Upon motion the Statistical Report Blanks prepared by the Statistician of the General Conference were adopted.

Upon motion the Committee on Itinerancy and Orders submitted a partial report, which was adopted.

Upon motion the Resolution presented by Rev. Stephen B. Williams concerning Belah Camp Grounds was adopted.

Committee on Periodicals submitted report, and upon motion adopted in part. The second item of said report was postponed until the afternoon session.

The Secretary read a letter from Sister Mary Bartlett, and upon motion was instructed to write her a letter extending sympathy and expressing our hope for the speedy and complete recovery of her son.

J. A. Riley submitted his report, which was adopted.

Motion to adjourn.

Afternoon Session

Conference re-assembled at 1:30 with officers in their places.

J. C. Little and W. F. Ragsdale submitted reports, which were read and adopted.

It was moved that the Church Extension Board, in connection with their regular work, be formed also into an Evangelistic Committee and that all Evangelists and Mis-

sionaries be subject to said Board or Committee, and upon motion the same was tabled.

Upon motion the Methodist Protestant Quadrilateral was ordered printed in the minutes.

Committee on Itinerancy and Orders submitted final report, which was adopted.

Committee on Periodicals submitted second item of former report, and upon motion the publication of the Methodist Protestant Advocate was discontinued.

Upon motion the Board of Directors of the Home of the Good Samaritan were elected.

Committee on By Laws and Rules of Order report no changes to be made.

Committee on Missions submitted report, which was adopted.

Committee on Education submitted report, which was adopted.

Upon motion Rev. J. W. Terry was appointed to make investigation concerning the Church Property located at Downsville, La., and report his findings to the Board of Church Extension.

J. H. Lewis submitted his report, which was adopted.

Rev. Stephen B. Williams and Mrs. Mary E. Perdue were appointed by the President to serve on the Board of Directors for the Belah Camp Meeting.

Committee on Pastors Report submitted report, which was adopted.

Motion to adjourn.

Night Session

Conference called to order by the President. Roll call and reading of minutes omitted.

Rev. J. R. Downs, Rescue Missionary, submitted report which was adopted.

The President appointed a committee on Itinerancy and Orders, and upon motion Stephen B. Williams was appointed to serve one year, Mrs. Lula Wardlow was appointed to serve two years, and J. W. Lee was appointed to serve three years.

Secretary of Church Extension Board submitted report, which was adopted.

It was moved and carried that the next annual session convene with the Methodist Protestant Church at

Monroe, La., and the time was fixed as Friday before the first Sunday in November.

Rev. E. O. Hearne was elected to preach the opening sermon.

It was moved and carried that Stephen B. Williams agree to pay the deficit on the Methodist Protestant Advocate, and the Conference agreed to turn over to him the Conference Subscription List, and second class postal privileges.

Secretary of The Methodist Protestant Mutual Benevolent Association made a statement concerning the organization, and upon motion the same officers were elected for the ensuing year, after which a drive for membership was made which resulted in several new members being added to the organization.

Motion to adjourn.

Saturday evening the pulpit was filled by Dr. T. H. Lewis, President of the General Conference, who preached a masterful sermon. At the close of this service two young men were ordained.

Closing Session Sunday

Immediately after the close of the eleven o'clock service, the Conference was called to order by the President.

Committee on Thanks submitted report, which was read and adopted.

The secretary of the Stationing and Boundary Committee read the appointments.

Adjourned.

Night Session

Upon motion the Secretary was instructed to write Sister Arah Bevell a letter of condolence.

The Committee on Finance submitted the Apportionments for President's Salary, Annual and General Conference Budget which was adopted.

The Conference Treasurer submitted his report which was adopted.

Thus ended the Seventy-Eighth Annual Session of the Louisiana Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church.

Special Sunday Services

Sunday was a great day with splendid messages and

gracious services. Rev. F. Lyman Shows filled the pulpit at eleven o'clock hour, bringing to us a wonderful message, theme: "The Great Salvation."

At three o'clock Rev. E. M. Mouser, the entertaining pastor, arranged for a memorial service in memory of Miss Mattie Long, our Missionary to India, who passed to her eternal reward this year. This service was conducted in our new church erected this year at Kelly, La., and was especially owned and blessed of God.

Rev. Lula Wardlow, pastor of Mt. Zion church, preached the closing sermon on Sunday evening, at the close of which several came forward for prayer.

President's Report

To the Seventy-Eighth Session of the Louisiana Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church, now convened at Grayson, La., it is with a grateful heart to God for His mercy and love toward us for the past twelve months, that I submit this my report:

Just to say we have been blessed this year does not express my feelings, for our Heavenly Father has been exceedingly kind to us, leaving our ranks unbroken in the home field for another year. However, we were made to weep in the early part of the year, as one of our Missionaries who had returned to America to recuperate in health, was only permitted to stay with us a few days, when God translated her to the home above.

We have many things to be thankful for as we come up from the different parts of our conference, and I am sure we have already forgotten many of the things that made the load heavy during the year that has just passed into history, as we think of the great Cause we represent, and that we, though limited in our ability, have had a little part in helping to advance that great cause.

This has been a good year for our church in Louisiana. We have made some real progress; we have added a goodly number of members to our church, some new church buildings have gone up, and our people are falling in line with a new system of finance, which if followed up will be a large factor in bringing our church into her rightful place among the churches of the state.

Official Acts

On November 15th, I appointed Rev. R. M. Walker supply of Belah Church.

On November 16th, I released Rev. J. M. Strozier from McVey Chapel and appointed Rev. G. A. McVey as pastor.

About the last of November I released Rev. G. J. L. Brown from Dryprong Church and appointed Rev. E. W. Corley pastor.

Some time in January I released Rev. J. R. Downs from Luna Church and appointed Rev. I. L. Yeager pastor.

In the early part of the year I granted Rev. H. A. Cherry a release from Pleasant Hill Circuit, and appointed Miss Ocie Riley pastor.

About February 1st, I granted Rev. Mrs. Arah Bevil a letter of standing.

Some time in December I released Mrs. H. C. Ramsey from Winnfield Church.

About the first of January I appointed Rev. M. D. Moore pastor of Union Grove Circuit.

About the first of May, on account of his health, I released Rev. J. M. Owens from Arcadia Circuit and appointed Rev. E. O. Hearne as pastor.

About the first of May I appointed Rev. J. M. Strozier pastor of Taylor Chapel Church.

Some time in May I appointed Rev. G. J. L. Brown pastor of Winnfield Church.

I granted J. A. D. Williams a letter of standing.

Our Need

I cannot begin to state our need here even if I were inclined to do so. I have tried to keep the need before the people all the year as I have visited the different charges. I shall, however, mention one or two things; First, we should put forth a concerted effort in educating our people in systematic and proportionate giving for the support of the work of the church, Pastor and President ought to be paid monthly, and the conference claims ought to be paid quarterly. Secondly, we should adopt the general conference budget as it is handed to us by those who have arranged it, and do our best to collect it.

Let us all push forward toward a more efficient ministry and a more systematic church. Pray for me.

I thank everyone for their co-operation with me this year.

Respectfully,

F. LYMAN SHOWS.

Pastors Report

This is to certify that we have examined all reports, receipts, etc., and find them to be correct so far as we are able to know.

J. A. HOLT,
JOHN TARVER,
J. T. DUNN.

APPOINTMENTS

Monroe Station.....	Stephen B. Williams
Grayson Circuit.....	F. Lyman Shows
Grayson	
Kelly	
Jonesboro Circuit.....	I. A. Patton
Jonesboro	
Dodson	
New Hope	
Centerpoint	
Chatham Circuit.....	To be supplied
Chatham	
Concord	
Pleasant Hill Circuit.....	Sarah A. Brady
Pleasant Hill	
Lewis Chapel	
Damascus	
Pollock Circuit.....	E. W. Corley
Pollock	
Bentley	
Ursery Chapel	
Spring Hill	
Hicks Circuit.....	Lula Wardlow
Mt. Zion	
Hollins Chapel	
Evergreen Circuit.....	R. M. Walker
Evergreen	
Antioch	
Heflin	
Cold Water	
Antioch Circuit.....	To be supplied
Bethel	
Mt. Nebo	
Arcadia Circuit.....	E. O. Hearne
Bethlehem	
Cross Roads	
Liberty Valley	
Springhill	

Belah Circuit.....	G. J. L. Brown
Belah	
McVey Chapel	
Taylor's Chapel	
Fish Creek	
Sardis Circuit.....	W. S. Dunn
Sardis	
Zora	
Strickland Circuit.....	J. T. Parsons
Barron's Chapel	
Clear Creek	
Ball	
Bethel	
Ansley Circuit.....	J. W. Lee
Ansley	
Dry Prong	
Urania Circuit.....	M. E. Barlett and M. E. Perdue
Urania	
Zenoria	
Jena.....	A. T. Ezell
Luna.....	Ira L. Yeager
Queen City Circuit.....	B. F. Griffin
Courtland	
Knight's Bluff	
Terry's Chapel	
Boyter Lane	
Rice Circuit.....	J. H. Lewis
Walnut Grove	
Mt. Pleasant	
Pine Grove	
Couley	
West Carroll Circuit.....	J. R. Strozier
Pioneer	
Stout's View	
Oil City.....	M. E. Perdue
Shiloh.....	Bessie Taylor

Roberts.....	W. W. Harris
Sunrise.....	I. A. Patton
Welcome Home.....	Ocie Riley

Evangelists

J. A. Riley	J. C. Hearne
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Missionaries

W. F. Ragsdale	P. A. Smart
J. F. Reid	H. A. Cherry
J. A. Holt	E. A. Dennard
J. W. Terry	

Special Appointment

J. R. Downs, General Superintendent and Financial Agent
for Home of the Good Samaritan

Superannuated

W. M. Platt	A. G. Austin
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Without Appointment

J. C. Little	F. C. Futrell
B. Deville	W. P. Fowler
H. H. Cantley	J. A. Kendrick
J. F. Hearne	G. A. McVey
M. D. Moore	J. M. Strozier
J. M. Owen	

Financial

Conference Treasurer

Collected on Budget.....	\$605.32
Conference Secretary.....	\$100.00
General Conference.....	252.66
Conference Fund.....	101.06
Church Extension.....	75.81
Conference Journals.....	50.53
Superannuates	25.26
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	\$605.32

Special Offerings

Monroe Church for Superannuates, 2-3 for	
Bro. Platt, 1-3 for Bro. Austin.....	23.00
Bro. Terry for Superannuates.....	10.40
Special Collection for Superannuates.....	20.57
Special Collection for Aged Ministers.....	28.00
Amount Conference Fund from last year paid over	
by W. W. McDonald.....	125.00
Conference Fund this year.....	101.06
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	\$226.06
Expense Delegates to General Conference...	160.00
Balance on hand.....	66.06
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	\$226.06

J. W. McKEITHEN,
Conference Treasurer.

Report of Financial Agent of The Home of the Good Samaritan

Report for the year November 1, 1923 to November 1, 1924	
Girls cared for.....	22
Babies	15
Inmates at present, including Bro. and Sister Blakely.....	12
Total collected by Sister Blakely.....	\$664.00
For Doctor Bills collected and paid.....	370.00
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	\$1,034.00
Collected by Mrs. Slocum.....	\$ 212.00
Collected by Bro. Downs, Supt., in cash & Gro.....	1,500.00
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	\$2,746.00

Cash paid out.....\$2,346.00

Cash in Treasury now, about.....\$ 400.00

Report of the Committee on Finance

We recommend that the President's Salary be fixed at \$1500.00, and that same be apportioned to the different charges according to their ability.

2. We recommend that our General and Annual Conference Budget be apportioned in separate columns to the different charges according to their membership and ability.

3. We recommend that our Annual Conference Budget be fixed at \$1,000.00 and apportioned as follows:

40 per cent Church Extension
40 per cent Conference Fund
10 per cent Superannuates
10 per cent Secretary

LULA WARDLOW,
JAMES R. STROZIER,
J. W. McKEITHEN.

APPORTIONMENTS

	Pres. Sal.	Ann. Conf. Budget	Gen. Conf. Budget
Monroe	\$100.00	\$66.65	\$266.60
Grayson	100.00	66.65	266.60
Jonesboro	125.00	83.35	333.40
Pleasant Hill	30.00	33.35	80.00
Chatham	50.00	33.35	133.40
Pollock	85.00	56.65	226.60
Hicks	30.00	20.00	80.00
Evergreen	75.00	50.00	200.00
Antioch	40.00	30.00	120.00
Arcadia	75.00	50.00	200.00
Belah	50.00	33.35	133.40
Sardis	15.00	10.00	40.00
Strickland	40.00	30.00	120.00
Ansley	100.00	66.65	266.60
Jena	10.00	6.70	26.80
Urania	60.00	40.00	160.00
Queen City	80.00	53.35	213.40

Luna	10.00	6.70	26.80
Rice Circuit	75.00	50.00	200.00
West Carroll	25.00	16.65	66.60
Oil City	15.00	10.00	40.00
Shiloh	10.00	6.70	26.80
Roberts	10.00	6.70	26.80
Welcome Home	5.00		
Total	\$1215.00	\$813.45	\$3253.80

Evangelist

J. C. Hearn	10.00	6.70	26.80
J. A. Riley	10.00	6.70	26.80
Total	\$20.00	\$13.40	\$53.60

Missionaries

W. F. Ragsdale	5.00	3.00	12.00
J. F. Reid	5.00	3.00	12.00
J. A. Holt	5.00	3.00	12.00
J. W. Terry	5.00	3.00	12.00
H. A. Cherry	5.00	3.00	12.00
E. A. Dennard	5.00	3.00	12.00
P. A. Smart	5.00	3.00	12.00
B. Deville	5.00	3.00	12.00
Total	\$40.00	\$24.00	\$96.00

Summary

Charges	1215.00	813.45	3253.80
Evangelists	20.00	13.40	53.80
Missionaries	40.00	24.00	96.60
Grand Total	\$1275.00	\$850.85	\$3403.40

Respectfully submitted,

LULA WARDLOW,
JAMES R. STROZIER,
J. W. McKEITHEN.

Church Extension

On hand at beginning	\$175.38
Paid on Tent	175.38
Received from sale of Timber	50.00
Paid on note at Pollock Bank	50.00
Amount to be received	82.75

J. W. LEE, Sec.-Treas.

Resolutions

In order that we may act in harmonious co-operation with the Budget Council appointed by the recent General Conference in raising the Budget, the Louisiana Annual Conference hereby resolves,

1. That the assessment of the apportionment for the Budget laid to this conference shall be assessed upon the charges as a separate assessment, and on the basis of financial ability and membership.

2. That the president, secretary and treasurer of this conference shall constitute the Annual Conference Budget Council. These persons shall have power to add to their number as many as may seem convenient and necessary. The Council thus constituted shall adopt plans for raising the budget throughout the district. These plans shall be submitted to the conference for approval, and when approved it shall be obligatory upon all pastors to put them into effect and do everything in their power to make them successful.

3. The president, as chairman of the Council, shall make it his special business to direct the operations of the plans for raising the budget. Whenever it appears that no satisfactory progress is being made by pastors, the president or some other member of the Council shall by correspondence or by personal visit endeavor to supplement the work of the pastor. The Council may at any time call for the service of the Budget Councilor to help in this work.

4. Every pastor shall report monthly to the Annual Conference Budget Council the progress of the work on his charge in the matter of the budget. At the end of the year if he has not raised the full amount of the budget he shall state in open conference what effort he has made and how far he succeeded. The Conference shall then take such action as may seem judicious.

5. The Annual Conference Budget Council shall report monthly to the Budget Councilor appointed for that Conference area. This report may be made by the president or the secretary or the treasurer, as may be determined by the Council itself, and may consist of duplicates of reports received from pastors or in some other form.

6. The Annual Conference Budget Council shall give free access and assistance to the Budget Councilor in his efforts to reach pastors and churches with literature and other helpful suggestions and plans, so that nothing conflicts with plans already adopted by the Annual Conference.

Upon motion the above resolutions were adopted.

SUGGESTED CONSTITUTION FOR ANNUAL CONFERENCE BOARDS OF YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK

Article I—Name

This Board shall be called the Board of Young People's Work of the Louisiana Annual Conference.

Article II—Composition

This Board shall be composed of seven members to be chosen as follows: Three to elected by the Annual Conference. Three to be elected by the Young People at their annual gathering. The seventh member to be elected by the six members herein provided for. Provided further that the members of this Board shall hold office until their successors are elected, and that they shall have power to fill such vacancies as may occur during the year.

Article III—Duties of the Board

This Board shall have charge of the Inspirational and Educational activities of our Young People, providing for Young People's Institutes, Rallies and such other gatherings as may be necessary for the training of our Young People.

Article IV—Officers and their Duties

This Board shall elect the following officers:

- 1—A Chairman from among their members, who shall be recognized as the President of the Young People's Work of the Annual Conference.
- 2—A Secretary and Treasurer from their members or otherwise as they may choose.
- 3—Where it is deemed advisable they shall elect a Dean of the Young People's Institute. Provided that when such is not done, the President of the Board shall acts as such.
- 4—They shall have power to create such Departments and select Superintendents for the same as may be necessary for carrying on the work. Provided however, that these Superintendents shall have an advisory relation to this Board but shall not become members, by the virtue of their office.
- 5—The duties of the above officers shall be such as usually pertain to the same.

Article V—Reports

This Board shall make a report annually to the Young People's gathering and the Annual Conference, through its President and Treasurere regarding its work and financial condition.

Article VI—Finances

It shall be the duty of the Annual Conference to provide plans for adequately financing the Young People's Work of the Conference. Upon motion the above paper was adopted.

Committee Report

The Committee to suggest a program for the Annual Conference Budget Council made the following recommendations:

1. The adoption of the Budget system of finance with an every member canvass in each local church.
2. Group meetings of pastors and church officials in the interests of the Annual and General Conference budgets.
3. An Educational Campaign on Christian Stewardship, with the enrollment of as many tithers as possible.
4. A "Stewardship month," may be effectively used, when each pastor shall be asked to preach on some phase of Stewardship each Sunday.

The following is suggested:

1. Sunday, "The Stewardship of Prayer."
2. Sunday, "The Stewardship of Time."
3. Sunday, "The Stewardship of Talents."
4. Sunday, "The Stewardship of Money."
5. Sunday, The Stewardship of Life."
6. Systematic weekly contributions to the local and general interests of the church.
7. Monthly reports from the local church treasurer to the Annual Conference Treasurer.

Upon motion the above was adopted.

Overtures to Alter the Constitution

The following overtures to alter the Constitution were adopted by the General Conference at Tiffin, Ohio, May 21, 1924, and are submitted to the Annual Conferences for vote at their next session. The secretaries of Annual Conferences will please certify the action taken to the President of the General Conference.

THOMAS H. LEWIS,
President,
2844 Wisconsin Ave.,
Washington, D. C.

Resolved, That the General Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church in session at Tiffin, Ohio, May 21st, 1924, hereby adopts

and submits to the Annual Conferences the following Overtures for altering the Constitution:

First Overture. Article IV (Four), Section 3 (Three).

Strike out and amend so that the whole section shall read: "3. Each church shall have power to purchase, build, lease, sell, rent, or otherwise dispose of church property for the use and benefit of the Methodist Protestant Church, when authorized by the affirmative vote of a majority of all the qualified members of the church; provided that said vote be given in person at a meeting publicly called for the purpose four weeks in advance.

Second Overture, Article VIII (Eight), Section 3 (Three).

Strike out the whole section and insert as section 3 (Three): "3. The representatives to which each district may be entitled shall be elected on Friday at two o'clock P. M., at the meeting of the Annual Conference next preceding the sitting of the General Conference, by the ministers and delegates belonging to said Annual Conference. The ministers and delegate shall vote as one body, and a majority of the whole vote shall constitute an election. But if a majority of the ministers, or a majority of the delegates demand it, the ministers and delegates shall vote separately, and the concurrence of a majority of both ministers and delegates shall be necessary to constitute an election."

Third Overture. Article VIII (Eight), Section 5 (Five):

Strike out the words "five members" and insert in the same place instead the following: "a majority of the ministers, or a majority of the delegates present."

Fourth Overture. Article XI (Eleven).

Under the paragraph entitled "Conference Steward," strike out the word "Steward" in the title and also in the first line, and insert instead in both places the word "Treasurer."

Fifth Overture. Article XIV (Fourteen), Section 3 (Three).

Strike out in lines ten and eleven the words, "or who have ceased to take an interest in the church." At the end of the section, after the period, add the following: "But any person whose name has been dropped shall, upon application to the pastor, have his name restored."

Upon motion the above overtures were adopted.

Belah Camp Meeting

Whereas the Belah Camp Meeting Association provides for the appointment of two members of the Board of Trustees of that Camp, the Conference president is authorized to name these members, and submit to this Conference for approval.

Rev. Stephen B. Williams and Mrs. Mary E. Perdue were the

two members named by the President, and upon motion the same was adopted.

REPORTS

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The Undergraduates:

J. T. Parsons and Ira Yeager, having passed in the required disciplinary studies, and having been under appointment in this Conference as pastors for three years, are recommended for ordination as Elder.

J. M. Strozier, having been for two years in the Third Year course, but having met the committee and promised to "faithfully pursue the studies" during the coming year, is recommended for continuation, subject to appointment by the stationing committee.

H. H. Cantley, having been for two years without a pastoral appointment, and not having met the committee this year, nor promised faithfully to pursue the studies as required by the discipline, the committee is unable to make any recommendation at this time, referring him to the stationing committee for further action.

G. A. McVey, having been for two years in the second year course, and not having brought up any studies this year, but having met the committee and promised to faithfully pursue the studies another year, is recommended for continuation subject to action of the stationing committee.

W. F. Ragsdale is recommended for advancement to the third year conditioned upon bringing up next year one study in the second year's course, and is referred to the stationing committee.

M. D. Moore having been for two years without appointment but having promised to bring up his studies another year the committee recommends that he be continued. We refer him to the stationing committee for appointment.

Tommie Harland having united with another church, we recommend that he be discontinued.

Miss Ocie Riley, having been for two years in the first year's course, and having promised to bring up the studies another year, is recommended for continuation, subject to appointment by the stationing committee.

Miss Bessie Taylor, having passed the studies of the first year, is advanced to the second year, and referred to the stationing committee for pastoral appointment.

We recommend that Mrs. Oda Ramsey be discontinued in the Conference studies, with membership transferred to the church and

quarterly conference where she resides, with license subject to renewal by that body.

We recommend that R. M. Walker, who was a local deacon in the M. E. Church, South, and who comes recommended by the Belah Quarterly Conference, be admitted into this Conference as a preacher, and that he be placed in the studies of the third year, subject to appointment by the stationing committee.

We further recommend that Brother J. A. Kendrick being duly recommended by the Jena Church, be received by this Conference and placed in the studies of the first year.

STEPHEN B. WILLIAMS,
LULA WARDLOW,
J. W. LEE.

Committee on Periodicals

The Methodist Protestant, published at Baltimore, and the Methodist Recorder, published at Pittsburg, being the official general church organs of the denomination, it is the duty of every pastor in this conference to subscribe for same, and to seek to place one of these papers in every home in his congregation.

The Sunday School literature furnished by our own publishing houses should be used in every Sunday School connected with the appointments in the Louisiana Conference, and the pastors are enjoined to see that this is done.

The Methodist Protestant Advocate has been of blessing and worth to the Conference, but owing to lack of proper financial support has been published under difficulties. We recommend that if in the judgment of the Conference president he desires it continuation, it be published as a small monthly, with subscription price placed at 25 or 50 cents, and that the balance of funds needed for having it printed be paid out of the Conference funds.

We recommend that 600 copies of the General Conference sermon preached by Dr. Lewis be purchased by this conference, and that the Secretary inclose one in each copy of the minutes. We further recommend that the pastors of this conference co-operate in securing a wider and more general distribution of this splendid and timely production.

Respectfully submitted,

STEPHEN B. WILLIAMS,
T. O. NUGENT,
J. F. REID.

Report on Missions

We beg to submit the following:

1st. We have the commission of our Lord, to go into all the world and preach the Gospel.

2nd. Obeying this command the great Methodist movement was launched, and we are happy to be a part of that great awakening, and since that time our fathers and we have in a measure tried to carry that commission into effect, and a marvelous work has been accomplished.

4th. Our opportunities both at home and abroad are great, and we have a great advantage over the past years and our responsibilities are much greater now than ever before, and we must enter more heartily into the work of this great new day.

We recommend that first of all our pastors with the President put greater stress on the cause of missions than we ever have done in this generation and that we urge upon our people to pray to Almighty God to bless us in this great work and that our hearts may be moved upon to give of our means to the support of this work in a greater way than ever before.

We recommend that our pastors preach often upon the subject of missions and take special offerings to be applied on the support of both the home and foreign field.

Respectfully,

E. M. MOUSER,
W. F. JONES,
A. T. EZELL.

Education

We your Committee on Education submit this our report:

Whereas, there is a growing demand for a better educated ministry:

Therefore, we recommend that as many of our preachers as can attend one of our Church schools. We especially recommend our West Minster College at Tehaucanna, Texas, believing that many of our preachers can not go to any of these schools we recommend that we as a Conference continue the Preachers Institute which we started last year, and was held at Pollock, La., July 4 to 14 with a fine beginning.

We further recommend that this Institute co-operate with the Board of Young People's Work in putting on the Preachers Institute and Training Course, and that we plan to make this a part of our Educational Program as a Conference.

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. LEE,
A. R. CAMPBELL,
E. K. REEVES.

By Laws and Rules of Order

We, your committee, after looking over the rules of order, recommend no change in same.

Respectfully,

E. W. CORLEY,
W. W. HARRIS,
W. C. HEARNE.

Official Character

No report.

G. J. L. BROWN, Chairman.

Gratitude and Thanks

We the Louisiana Conference of The Methodist Protestant Church deem it a great privilege to hold the Seventy-Eighth Annual Session with Grayson Church.

Many of the great characters are connected with this church.

Resolved 1: That we express our gratitude in thanks to pastor and people for their unfailing attention as Conference Hosts.

Resolved 2: That we extend our thanks to Brother John Wesley McKeithen for the splendid address in which he extended a cordial welcome to all, which was so well carried out by pastor and people.

Our stay has been a pleasant and happy one indeed.

As we leave we shall not forget to pray God's richest blessings upon you all.

Respectfully submitted,

OCIE RILEY,
W. W. HARRIS,
T. L. BOYTER.

What I Owe My Pastor

REVERENCE—I owe my minister reverence as the Ambassador of God, sent to teach me a better way of living than the selfish, sordid existence I might be guilty of but for his trained guidance.

TRUST—I owe my minister trust that he may be free to serve the church unhampered by criticism and fault-finding.

PRAYER—I owe to my minister to pray for him each day that God may bless him and make his service a blessing to everyone with who he comes in contact.

PROTECTION—I owe to my minister the protection of kindly silence by refraining from repeating in his presence the slander of

unkind gossip that would worry him and prevent him from doing his best work.

APPRECIATION—I owe my minister a kindly word of appreciation when his sermons are especially helpful to me.

GRATITUDE—I owe to minister to remember gratefully 'the many times he has helped me to bear some trial, and the precious out-pouring of his sympathy that strengthened and helped me when some loved one entered the Valley of the Shadow.

FINANCIAL SUPPORT—I owe my minister my portion of his salary, paid promptly and cheerfully, that he may not be hindered in his work by financial worry.

Remembering the nobility of Christ-like men and women who have ministered unto me, I feel that my debt to them can never be fully paid because it is too great. (Selected.)

Rules of Order

Section 1. The Conference shall be opened promptly on the day and time appointed, the President conducting the Devotional Services. The roll shall then be called, after which the President shall read the Annual Report.

Section 2. On the morning of the second day the names of all pastors and chairman of committees shall be called and as their names are called they shall deposit their report with the Secretary, said reports to be dispensed with properly.

Section 3. On assigning the floor to any member of the Conference he shall distinctly announce the member to whom it is assigned.

Section 4. All motions and resolutions shall be written, if the President and Secretary request.

Section 5. When a motion is seconded or a resolution introduced and seconded, or a report presented, and is read by the Secretary or is state by the President, it shall be deemed in the possession of the Conference any time before the amendment or decision.

Section 6. All motions to postpone or to lay on the table shall be taken without debate.

Section 7. No new motion or resolution shall be entertained until the one under consideration has been disposed of, which may be done by adopting or rejecting, unless one of the following motions shall intervene, which are placed namely: First, indefinite postponement; Second, laying on the table; Third, referred to a committee;

Fourth, postponement to a given time; Fifth, substitute; Sixth, amendment. A substitute or amendment may be amended.

Section 8. When any member is about to speak in debate or to deliver any matter to the Conference, he shall arise and respectfully address the President, but shall not proceed until recognized by him.

Section 9. No member shall be interrupted while speaking except by the President, to call him to order when he departs from the question or uses personalities, or disrespectful language; but any member may call the attention of the President to the subject when he deems a speaker out of order, and any member may explain when he thinks himself misrepresented.

Section 10. When a member wishes to speak on a question of privilege he shall briefly state the question; but it shall not be in order for him to proceed until the President shall have decided it a privileged question.

Section 11. No person shall speak more than twice on the same question, nor more than five minutes at one time, without leave of the Conference; nor shall any person speak more than once until every member choosing to speak have spoken; provided, however, that the mover of a resolution, or a committee making a report, shall in all cases be entitled to five minutes to close the debate.

Section 12. When a motion or resolution shall have been acted upon by the Conference, it shall be in order for any member who voted with the prevailing side to move a reconsideration, but a motion to re-consider is a non-debatable motion, and must be decided without debate.

Section 13. No person shall absent himself from the Conference without leave, unless he is sick or unable to attend.

Section 14. No member shall be allowed to vote on any question who is not within the bar when such question is put by the President, except by leave of the Conference, when he shall be necessarily absent.

Section 15. Every member who is in the bar at the time the question is put shall give his vote unless the Conference for special reason excuse him.

Section 16. It shall be in order for any member to call for the ayes and nays on any question before the Conference, and if the call be sustained by one-third of the members present, the vote shall be taken by the ayes and nays.

Section 17. It shall be in order to move the question be taken without further debate or any measure pending before the Conference, except in cases where character is involved.

Section 18. A motion to adjourn shall always be in order, and shall be decided without rebate.

Section 19. The President shall appoint the chairman of committees on subjects of general interest and notify each chairman of his appointment at least ten days before each session of Conference.

Section 20. The committee on examination shall be appointed one year in advance, and meet at next Annual Conference one day prior to convening of that body, and that the undergraduates meet said committee for the purpose of being examined in their studies.

CHARGE

Monroe.....	S.
Chatham.....	E.
Grayson.....	E.
Jonesboro.....	I.
Sunrise.....	I.
Ansley.....	J.
Arcadia.....	E.
Urania.....	M.
Zenoria.....	M.
Oil City.....	M.
Queen City.....	E.
Bentley.....	E.
Mount Nebo.....	E.
McVey.....	C.
Pleasant Hill.....	C.
Mount Zion.....	I.
Luna.....	I.
Belah.....	I.
Strickland.....	I.
Evergreen.....	I.
West Carroll.....	I.
Rice.....	I.
Damascus.....	I.
Heflin.....	I.
Winnfield.....	I.
Antioch.....	I.
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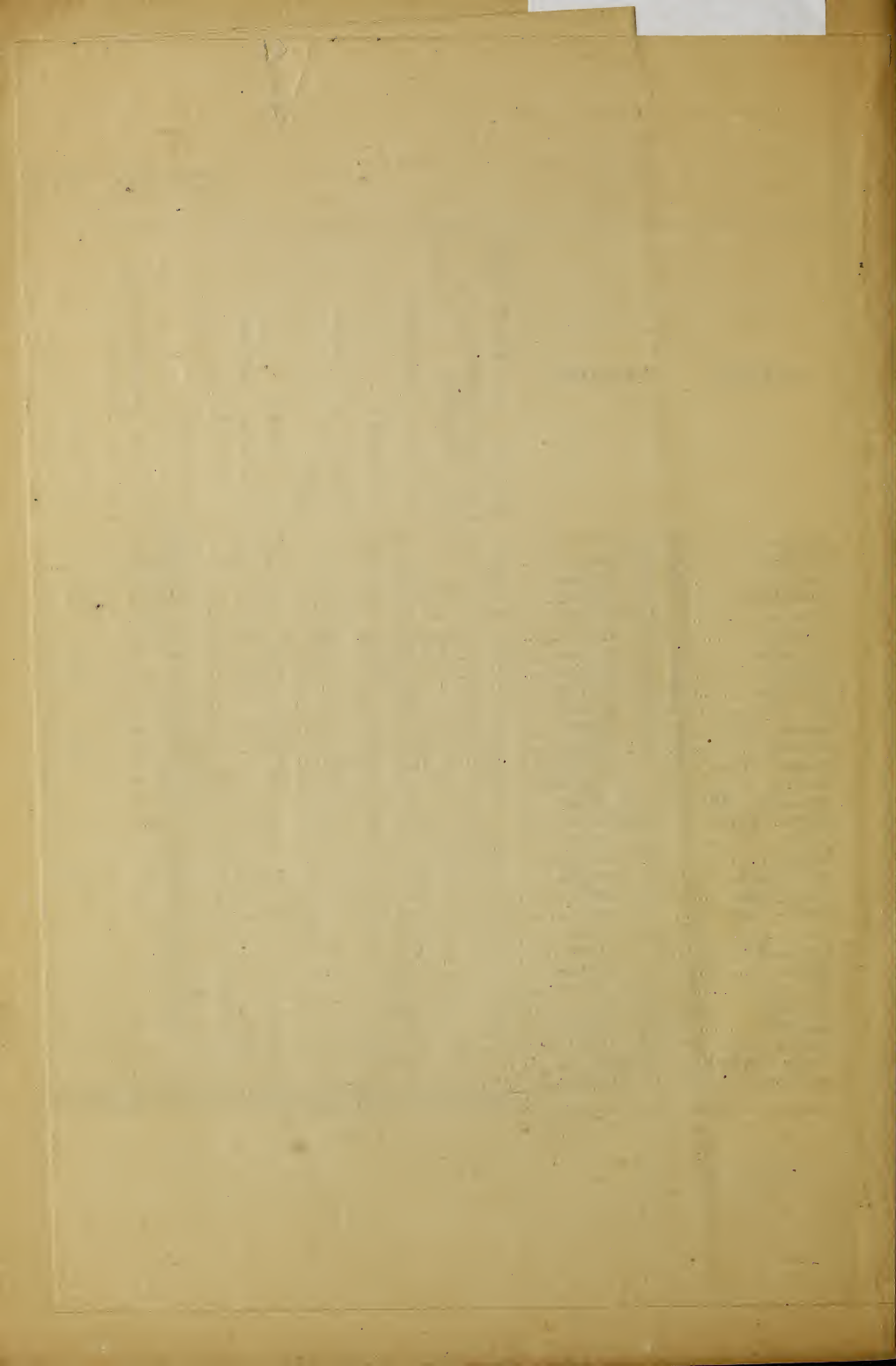
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STATISTICAL TABLE

CHARGE	PASTORS	Organized Churches & Appt. Ordained Ministers	Local Preachers	Members at Beginning	Accessions	Dismissed or Lettered	Deaths	Net Increase	Probationary Members	Sabbath Schools	Enrollment	Officers & Teachers	Christian Endeavor	Enrollment	Missionary Societies	Church Buildings	Parsonages	Other Holdings	Value of Church Property	No. Church Papers	Indebtedness	Professions of Faith	No. of Titlers	President's Salary	Pastor's Salary, Cash Paid	Rental Value of Parsonage	Total Support	Local Expenses	Buildings & Repairs	Conference Budget	Penny a Day					
Monroe.....	S. B. Williams.....	1	4	1	27	44	4	44	7	1	85	9	1	21	1	1	1	1	\$ 7,000.00	15	\$	107	7	\$	131.00	\$1,230.00	\$	420.00	\$1,630.00	\$	539.25	\$	235.00	\$124.25	\$	30.15
Chatham.....	E. M. Mouser.....	2	1	1	165	11	7	4	7	2	70	10	2	1	2	1	2	1	3,400.00	4	450.00			30.00	457.50	120.00	577.50	160.00	100.00	3.00						
Grayson.....	E. M. Mouser.....	2	1	1	108	60	3	60	3	1	165	13	2	97	1	2	1	1	5,500.00	4	500.00			100.00	720.00	120.00	840.00	300.00	2,100.00	68.50						
Jonesboro.....	I. A. Patton.....	4	1	2	309	10	3	3	3	4	170	12	1	20	1	4	1	1	4,500.00	2				113.75	890.00	120.00	1,010.00									
Sunrise.....	I. A. Patton.....	1	1	1	15	3	3	3	3										500.00							100.00										
Ansley.....	J. W. Lee.....	2	2	2	140	4	5	4	2	1	40	7	1	1	1	2	1	1	2,000.00	6				125.00	708.00		708.00			130.00	40.00					
Arcadia.....	E. O. Hearne.....	4	4	4	144	20	2	18	2	60	8	13	2	97	1	3	1	1	5,000.00	2				75.00	250.00	288.00	250.00	50.00	1,200.00	16.25	11.95					
Urania.....	M. E. Perdue.....	1	1	1	71	13	1	11	15	1	43	6	1	65	1						12			25.00	350.00		350.00	50.00		65.25	5.20					
Zenoria.....	M. E. Perdue.....	1	1	1	56	6	6	6	6	1	50	6	1	1	1						2			20.00	240.00		240.00	35.00								
Oil City.....	M. E. Perdue.....	1	1	1	40	2	2	2	2	1	40	6	1	1	1				700.00	6					100.00		100.00	35.00								
Queen City.....	B. F. Griffin.....	3	3	3	211	22	1	1	20	5	1	60	6	1	3	3			3,500.00	12				58.90	313.40		313.40	100.00		12.00	38.00					
Bentley.....	E. W. Corley.....	3	3	3	1	237	38	2	36	3	125	12	1	30	4	4	1	1	6,000.00	12	160.00	50	4	86.46	500.00	120.00	600.00	650.00	225.00	15.00	15.00					
Mount Nebo.....	E. A. Dennard.....	2	1	1	108	9	11	1	1	1	71	7	1	1	1	1	1	1	1,500.00	1				29.00	350.00					16.00						
McVey.....	Geo. A. McVey.....	2	2	2	79	13		13	1	2	50	8	1	1	2	3			1,000.00	10			24	4	31.00	250.00			143.40		12.00					
Pleasant Hill.....	Ocie D. Riley.....	3	3	3	1	44	9			1	15	5	1	1	3	3			1,300.00	10				7.10	10.10		75.00			15.83						
Mount Zion.....	L. Wardlow.....	1	1	1	133	12	3	9		2					1	1	1	1	1,600.00	13				46.00	250.00	35.00	296.00	200.00		50.00						
Luna.....	I. L. Yeager.....	1	1	1	46	2		2							1				1,000.00					15.00	57.82			52.00			19.56					
Belah.....	J. M. Strozler.....	2	2	2	140	1	1	1	1	2	60	7	1	1	2	2			2,450.00	9				22.70	217.00		239.70		20.00	10.50						
Strickland.....	J. T. Parsons.....	4	1	1	243	51	8	43	9	4	125	29	1	42	4	4	1	1	3,580.00	3				55.00	358.50	36.00	394.50	114.00	112.00	10.00	8.00					
Evergreen.....	A. T. Ezell.....	2	1	1	159	9	75	2	11	1	50	5	1	1	1	1	1	1	1,200.00	35				28.23	234.21	60.00	294.00	48.00		14.00	21.00					
West Carroll.....	J. R. Strozler.....	2	1	1	49	20		20	1	1	25	5	1	1	1	1	1	1	1,500.00	1				43.50	280.00		280.00	81.84		25.00						
Rice.....	P. A. Smart.....	3	1	1	138	2	1	3	2	2	60	8	1	1	1	1	1	1	1,000.00					7.70	68.86											
Damascus.....	G. J. L. Brown.....	1	1	1	93	2	3				48	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	500.00					10.00	26.60		26.60									
Heflin.....	J. C. Hearne.....	1	1	1	33										1				2,000.00					12.50	101.00		101.00			2.00						
Winnfield.....	G. J. L. Brown.....	1	1	1	15										1				3,000.00																	
Antioch.....	B. Deville.....	1	1	1	25						35	5	1	1	1	1	1	1	400.00	2					9.75		24.75	35.00								
Roberts.....	W. W. Harris.....	1	1	1	37	7		7	4	1	53	6												10.00	12.90		12.90	60.00		10.00						
Sardis.....	W. S. Dunn.....	1	1	1	45	3		3	2						1				850.00						40.00											
Union Church.....	J. A. Holt.....	1	1	1	18																			21.00	125.00					30.00						
Antioch.....	J. C. Hearne.....	1	1	1	43	3													2,000.00																	
		58	24	12	3021	393	119	15	307	54	36	1500	174	7	275	3	46	12	3	\$62,980.00	154	\$1,110.00	176	15	\$1,103.14	\$8,150.64	\$1,319.00	\$8,463.25	\$2,653.49	\$3,992.00	\$596.25	\$215.59				

REV. B. F. GRIFFIN, Statistician,
DONALD McKENZIE, Assistant.



THE METHODIST PROTESTANT QUADRILATERAL

There are four great ideals which point the way, I believe, to the prosperity, efficiency and permanence of the Methodist Protestant Church.

They are:

1. A full-time pastorate.
 2. Fully organized churches.
 3. A genuine budget.
 4. Denominational integration.
1. I mean by the first, that every pastoral charge should have a pastor living among his people, and devoting his whole time to them. This involves, of course, a sufficient financial support from the people. Of the nearly 1200 ministers in our church, less than 500 are full-time pastors.
2. I mean by the second, that every church, however small, should carry on all the departments of Christian work. The right to be a church involves the responsibility to do what the church was organized to do. This ideal depends upon the preceding one. One has but to compare the number of our churches with the number of Sunday Schools, C. E. and Missionary Societies, and so on, to see how few of our churches are really organized.
3. I mean by the third, that a true and full estimate of the expense of carrying on the church should be made at the beginning of the year; that this estimate should include as well the expense of carrying on the denomination, (for the denomination can get money only from the local churches); and that this estimate should be accepted by every church as a genuine obligation. This ideal depends upon the two preceding.
- We have many churches which make no promises to pay even to the pastor. We have seven annual conferences which average two cents per member per year to the denomination.
4. I mean by the fourth, that every church should tie itself up with the denomination in sympathy, prayer and effort. No denomination can exist by itself. It must be built up by its churches, and it will never be any stronger than they make it. Building it up is integration. Doing nothing for it is disintegration. This ideal depends upon the other three. The pastor for the churches, the churches for the denomination, and all for Christ.

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